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MEMO FOR:

GENERAL HAIG

FROM:

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In the attached memo I would suggest a change in the second line of the second paragraph which reads: "Some redirection of its goals may be useful and a representative of my staff will be intouch with Bruce Clarke on this matter."

I believe we should either:

- -- Not refer to a redirection of goals in the memo and simply do this informally, or
- -- State the goals we have in mind with language such as "In resuming this study it may be useful to consider the following . . . "

What I object to is the indication in this formal memo that a HAK staff member will in fact be negotiating the thrust that we desire for the study. It seems a bit self serving on the part of HAK's staff and as if HAK is not maintaining tight control over what he requests from the bureaucracy. If you agree, we will prepare a memo asking Wayne to make the change.

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